

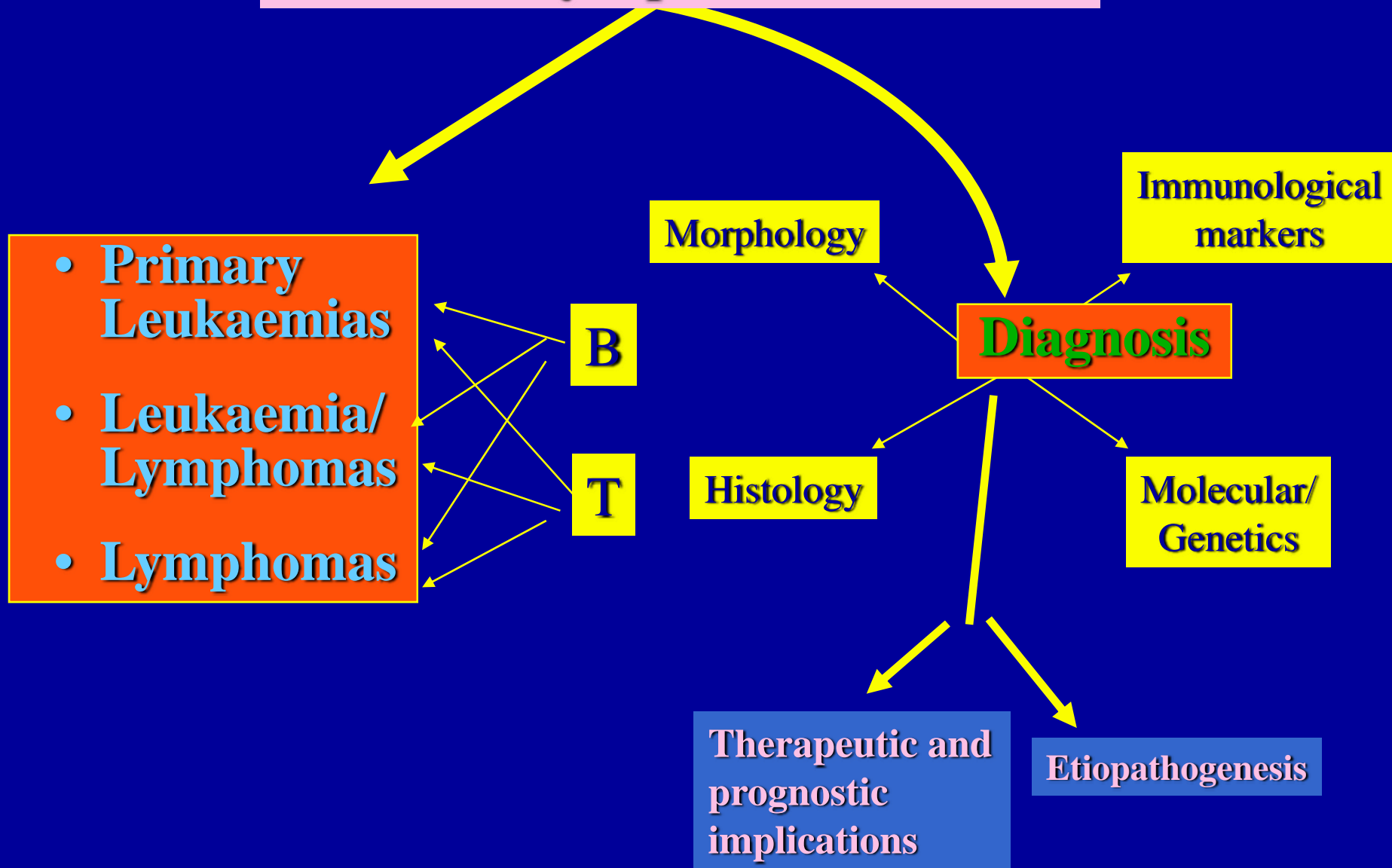
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**Integrated report in lymphoproliferative  
disorders**

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# Chronic Lymphoid Disorders



## **Historical background**

**1970's and 1980's**

**The diagnosis of CLPD was based on morphology, histology and limited immunophenotyping (IHC/FC)**

**1990's FAB and REAL Classifications**

**Advances in immunophenotyping such as the recognition of new molecules characteristic of certain CLPD and improvement on technology (FC and IHC) allowed a better characterisation of the CLPD**

## Historical background

2000's

2001 and 2008 WHO classifications

Incorporate in the diagnosis genetic abnormalities (gene deletions, mutations and/or translocations) specific for certain CLPD (i.e. mantle-cell lymphoma) or with a prognostic impact such as *TP53* dysfunction

Consider other molecular changes such as mutational analysis of the *IGVH* genes, stereotyped sequences, etc that provide insights into the cell origin where the neoplastic transformation has taken place as well as prognosis in some diseases

## **Integrated report**

**There is a need for an integrated report ?. YES**

**What the integrated report should provide to the clinician?**

**The diagnosis of a disease entity according to the WHO**

**Within a disease itself, the subcategory**

**When applicable information on prognosis**

**What the clinician should provide to the laboratory?**

**Full and comprehensive clinical data and adequate specimens**

## **Integrated report in CLPD**

**At which stages of the disease an integrated report is required?**

**At diagnosis (presentation)**

**At relapse and/or progression (there may be transformation, changes on prognostic markers, ie acquisition of *TP53 deletion*)**

**? MRD**

# **Tools for disease classification and stratification of CLPD**

**Morphology and immunophenotype are the first steps in the leukaemic CLPD as they allow to distinguish B from T cell disorders and establish the diagnosis in a substantial proportion of cases**

**Histology and IHC of the tissues affected is important in cases presenting with nodal disease without leukaemia or frank bm involvement**

**Cytogenetics/FISH play a key role in the diagnosis of some lymphomas (MCL or FL) and provide relevant prognostic information (CLL)**

**Southern-blot or PCR analysis of the TCR chain genes in T-cell lymphocytosis and mutational analysis of the *IgHV* in CLL**

**Miscellaneous**

## **Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) and CD5+ B-cell disorders**

**Morphology and immunophenotype may be typical or atypical of CLL**

**Prognostic tests if typical CLL is confirmed by the above:**

**CD38 and ZAP70 expression (expression is unfavourable)**

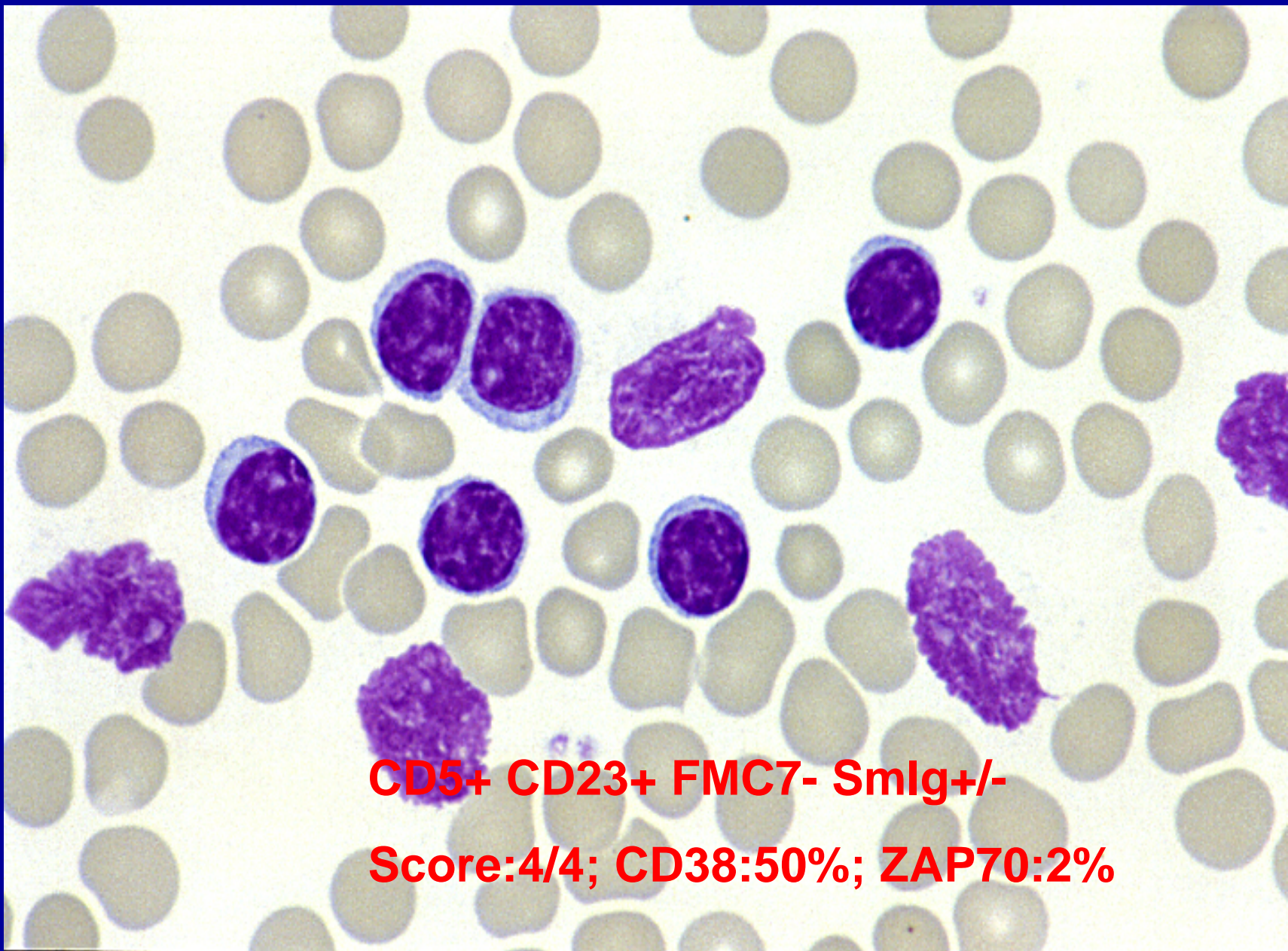
**FISH for del13q14 , trisomy 12, del11q (*ATM*) and del17p (*TP53*)**

**(del 11q and del17p unfavourable)**

**Mutational analysis of the *IgVH* and family *VH* usage**

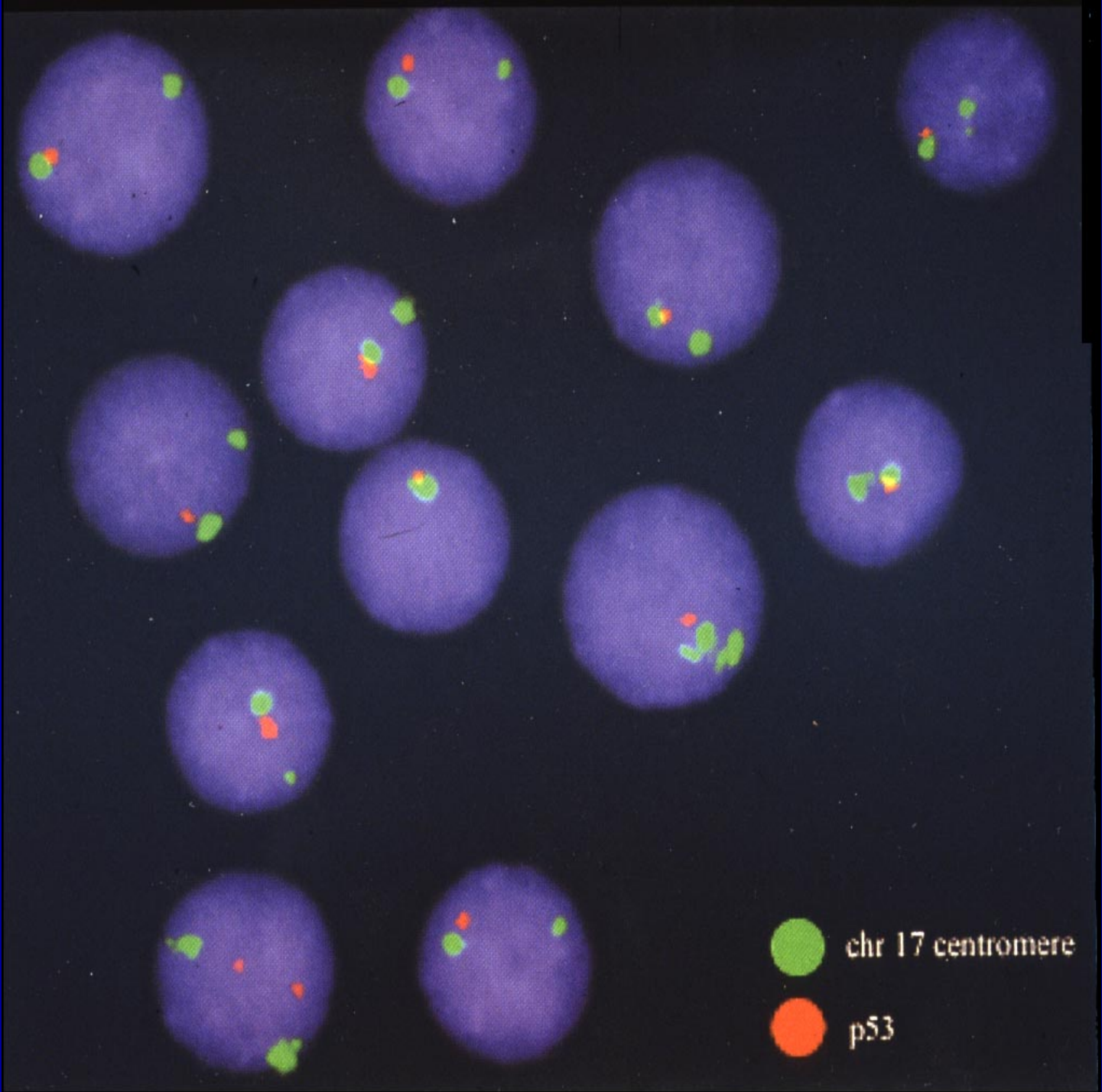
**unmutated (>98% homology) and *VH3-21* (unfavourable)**





**CD5+ CD23+ FMC7- Smlg+/-**

**Score:4/4; CD38:50%; ZAP70:2%**



## **Integrated report**

**Morphology : small lymphocytes with clumped chromatin;  
smudge cells**

**Immunophenotype: 90% of cells in the lymphocyte gate had a  
CLL phenotype CD5+ CD23+ FMC7- weak SmIg. CD38 was  
positive and ZAP-70 negative**

**FISH: no evidence of del13q14 , trisomy 12 or del11q (*ATM*)**

**90% of cells had del17p (*TP53*)**

**Molecular analysis: *IgVH* unmutated (99% homology to the  
germ line)**

**Diagnosis: Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia. CD38 expression,  
*TP53* deletion and unmutated *IgVH* are unfavourable prognostic  
markers factors**

A microscopic image showing a field of cells. The background is filled with numerous small, pale, spherical cells, likely erythrocytes. In the center, there is a cluster of larger, more irregularly shaped cells with a darker, more granular appearance, characteristic of atypical CLLPD cells. The text "CD5+ Atypical CLPD" is overlaid in red at the top left. At the bottom, there are two lines of red text: "Atypical morphology" and "CD5+ CD23- FMC7+ SIg++.Score:1".

**CD5+ Atypical CLPD**

**Atypical morphology**

**CD5+ CD23- FMC7+ SIg++.Score:1**

**Morphology and immunophenotype are atypical of CLL**

**CD5+ B-cell lymphoproliferative disorder non-CLL**

**Is it relevant to investigate prognostic tests for CLL?:**

**CD38 and ZAP70 expression (positive are unfavourable)**

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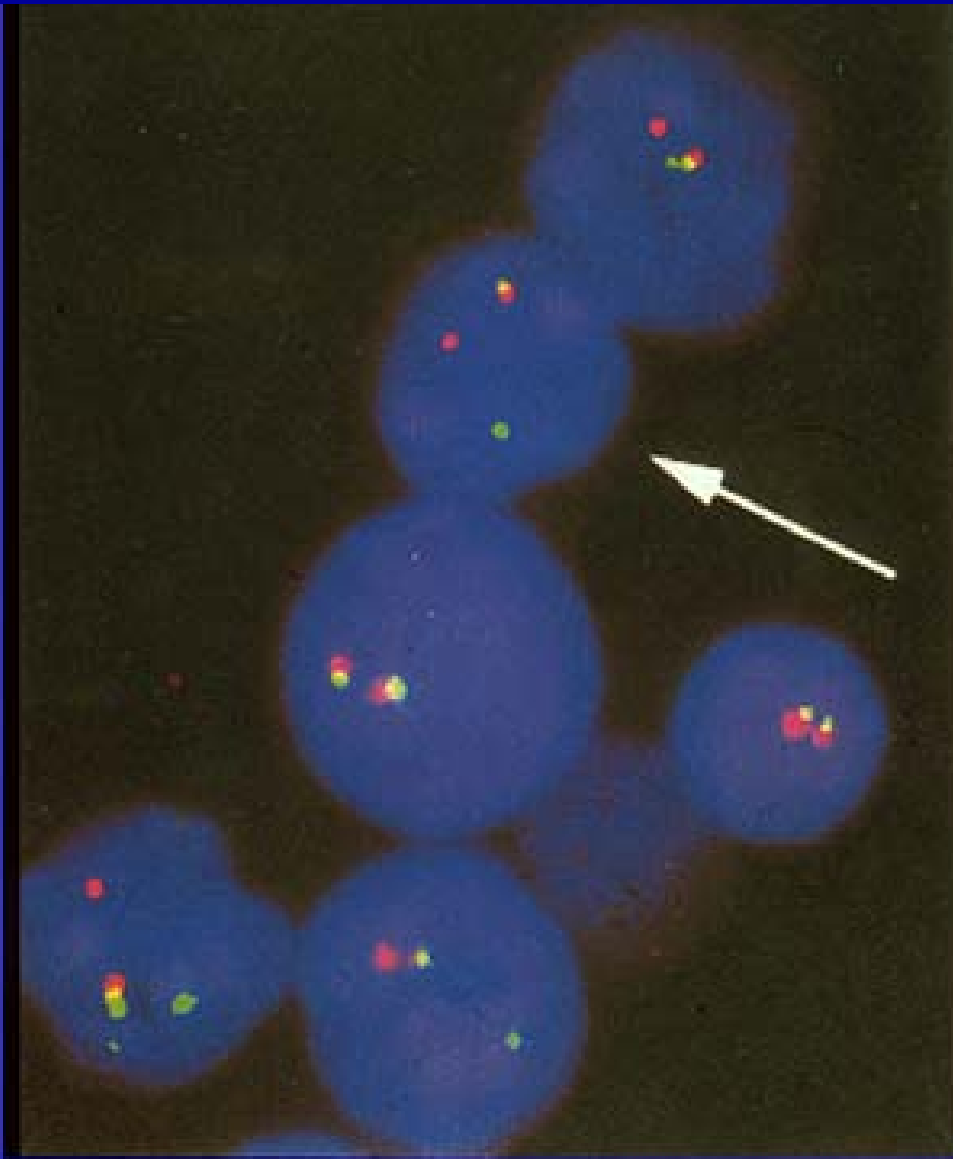
**The answer is likely NO**

**Further tests to be carried out are**

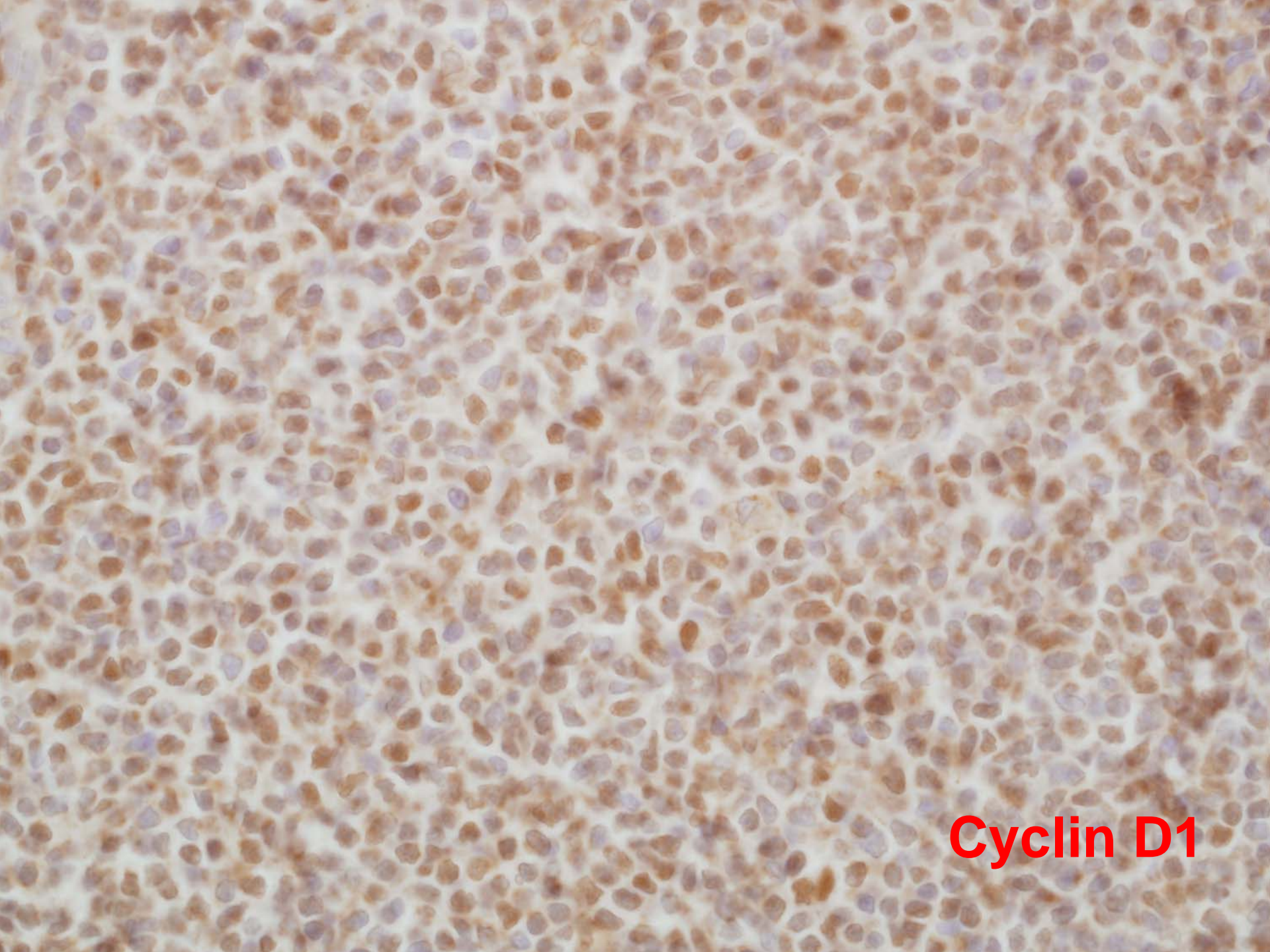
**FISH for the t(11;14)(q23;q32)**

**Cyclin D1 stain in bone marrow if tissue histology is not possible**

**? Proliferative rate (Ki-67 or MIB)**



**FISH for *BCL-1* rearrangement**



**Cyclin D1**

## **Integrated report**

**Morphology: medium size lymphocytes with speckled chromatin and nuclear indentations**

**Immunophenotype: 80% of cells in the lymphocyte gate have a CD5+ CD23- FMC7+ strong SmIg (CLL score 1)**

**FISH: 50% of cells have the t(11;14) with bcl-1 rearrangement**

**Bone marrow histology: diffuse infiltration by lymphoid cells CD5+ CD23- and with cyclin D1 expression. MIB-1= 5%**

**Diagnosis: Mantle-cell lymphoma in leukaemic phase non-blastoid with low proliferative rate**



**Integrated report in CLPD with circulating villous lymphocytes  
(Hairy cell leukaemia (HCL), HCL-variant, SMZL/SLVL)**

**HCL can easily be distinguished from HCL-variant and SMZL by its distinct and unique morphology and immunophenotypic profile**

**Problems arise to distinguish HCL-variant from typical SMZL and diffuse red pulp SMZL**

**The need for an integrated report compounding morphology, immunophenotype, bone marrow histology and to some extent cytogenetics is well illustrated in these conditions**

## **Integrated report**

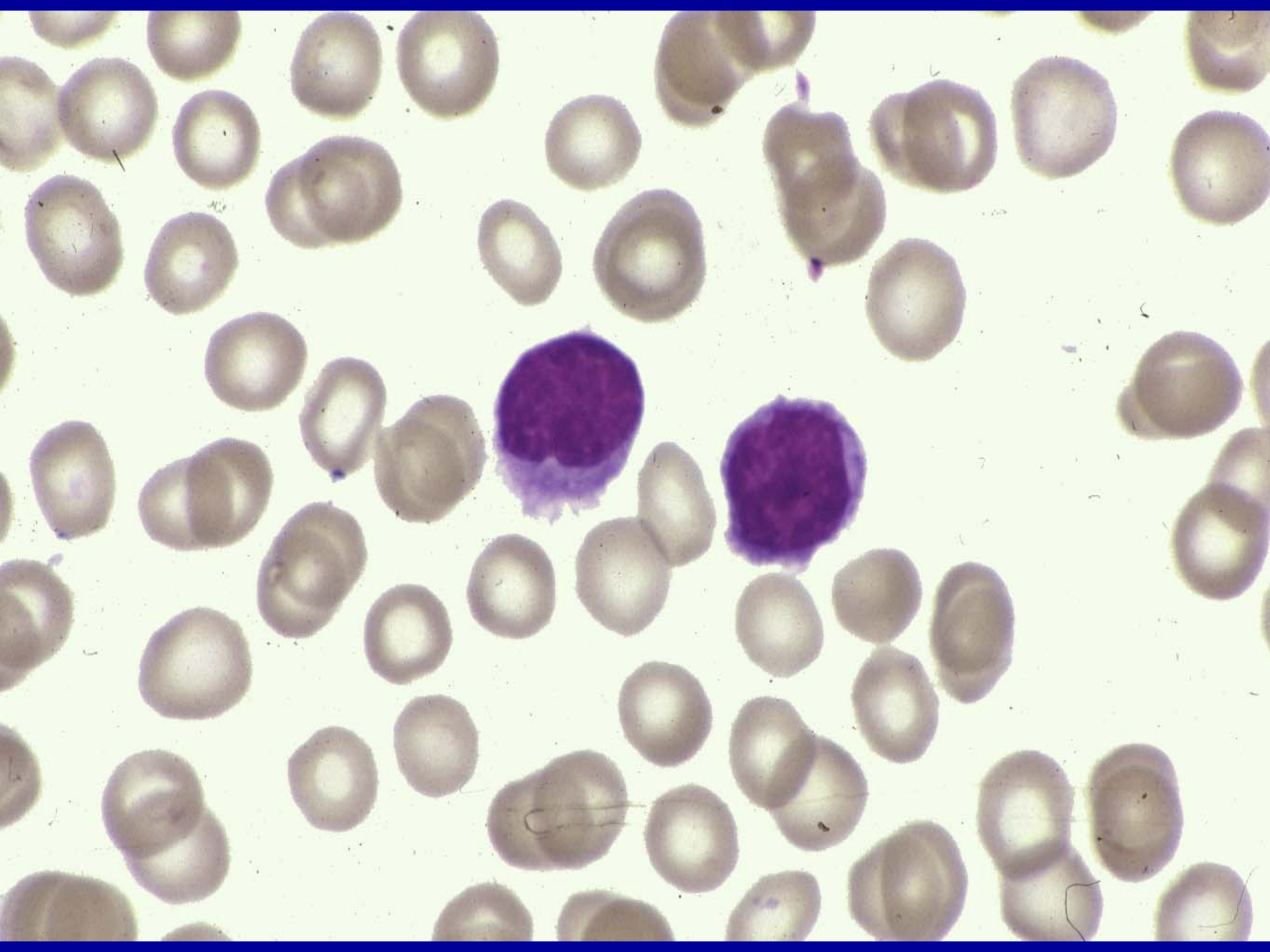
**Morphology should describe: cell size, nucleolus, chromatin condensation**

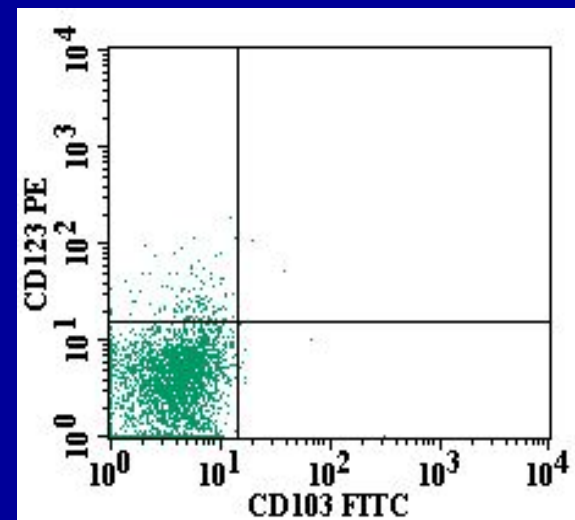
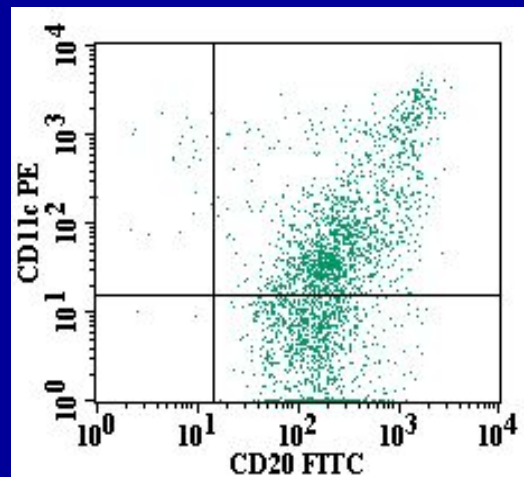
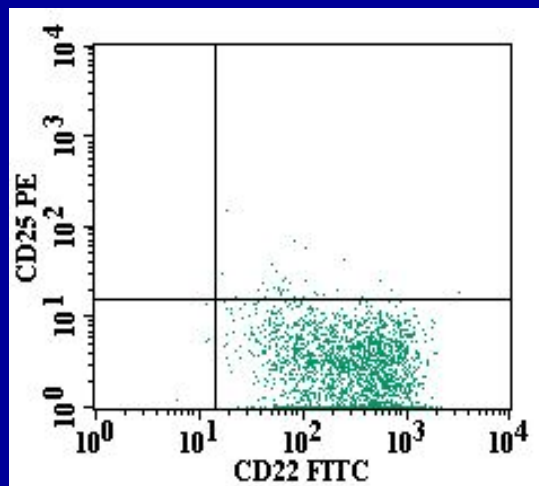
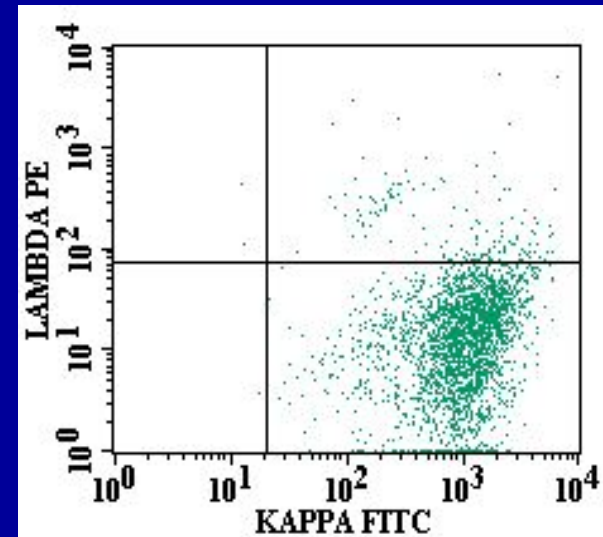
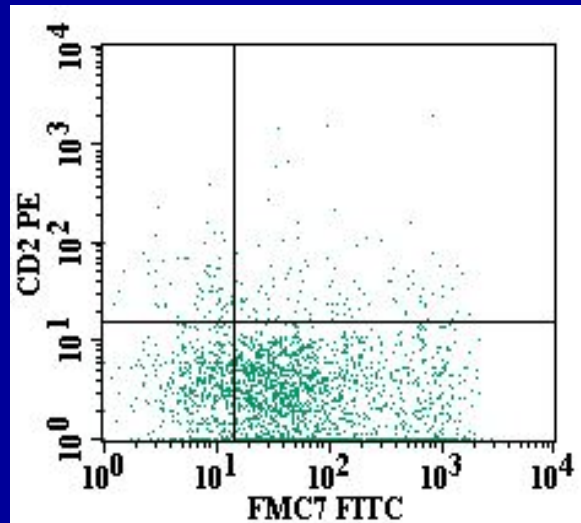
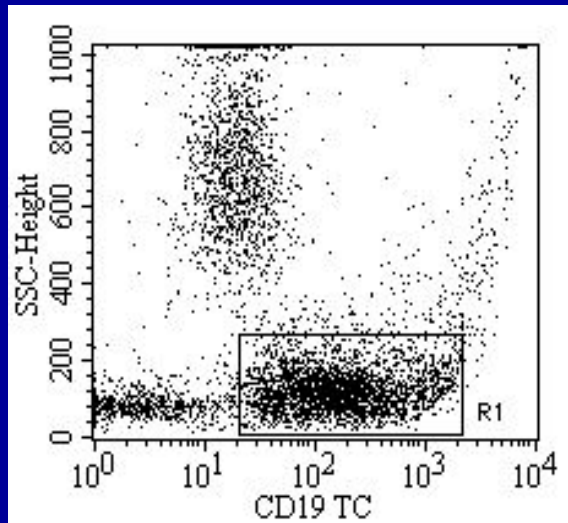
**Immunophenotype should include hairy cell associated markers: CD25, CD11c, CD103 and CD123**

**Bone marrow histology: pattern of infiltration (spacing and nodular infiltrates). Intrasinusoidal infiltration or DBA44+ are not specific. HCL (cyclin D1 weakly+ and Annexin A)**

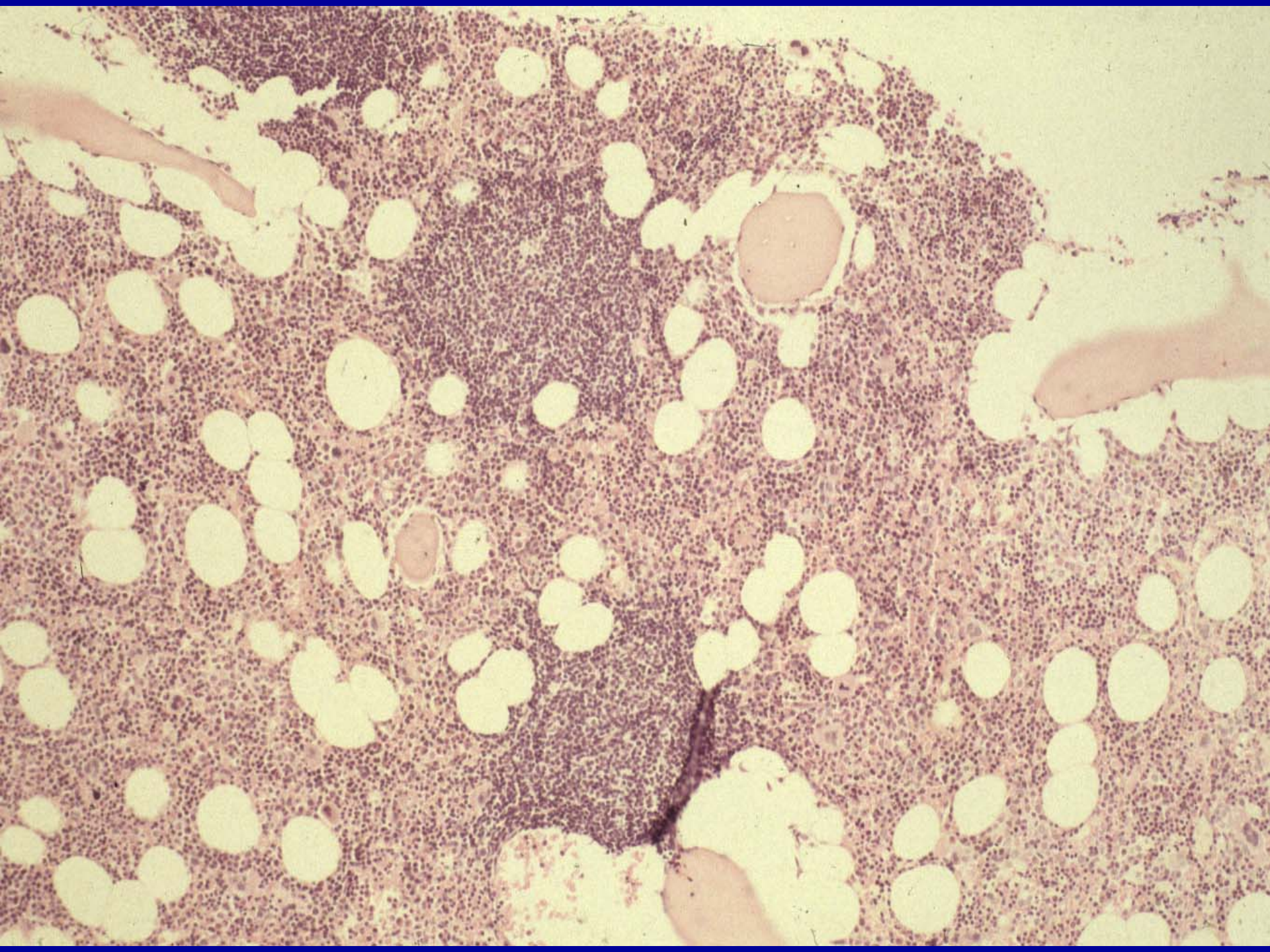
**Cytogenetics/FISH: 7q abnormalities, +3/3q, 17p (*TP53*)**

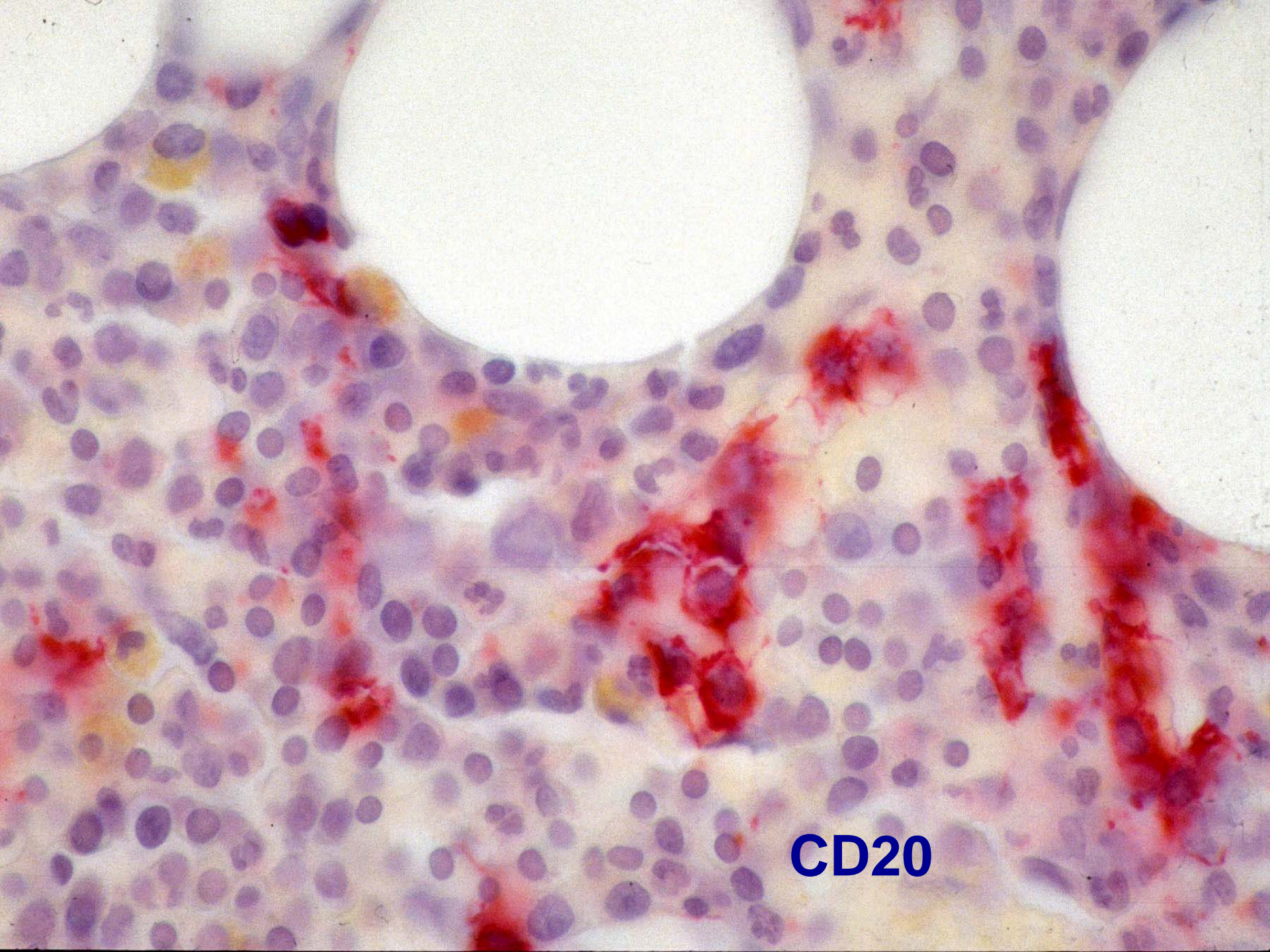
**Even sometimes with all this information spleen histology is required to confirm the diagnosis of SMZL and HCL-variant and this should be stated in the report**



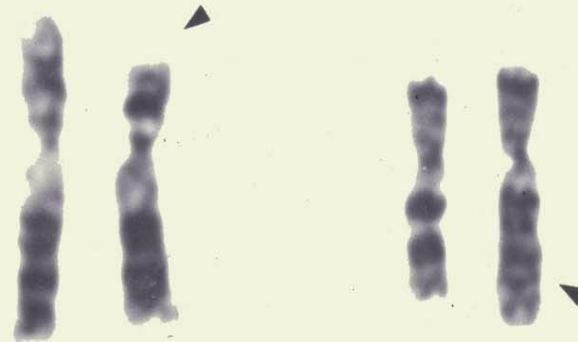


**CD19+ Kappa++ CD22+ FMC7+ CD11c+ CD25- CD103- CD123-**





**CD20**



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t(2;7)

## **Integrated report**

**Morphology:** small lymphocytes with condensed chromatin, scanty cytoplasm and short thin villi

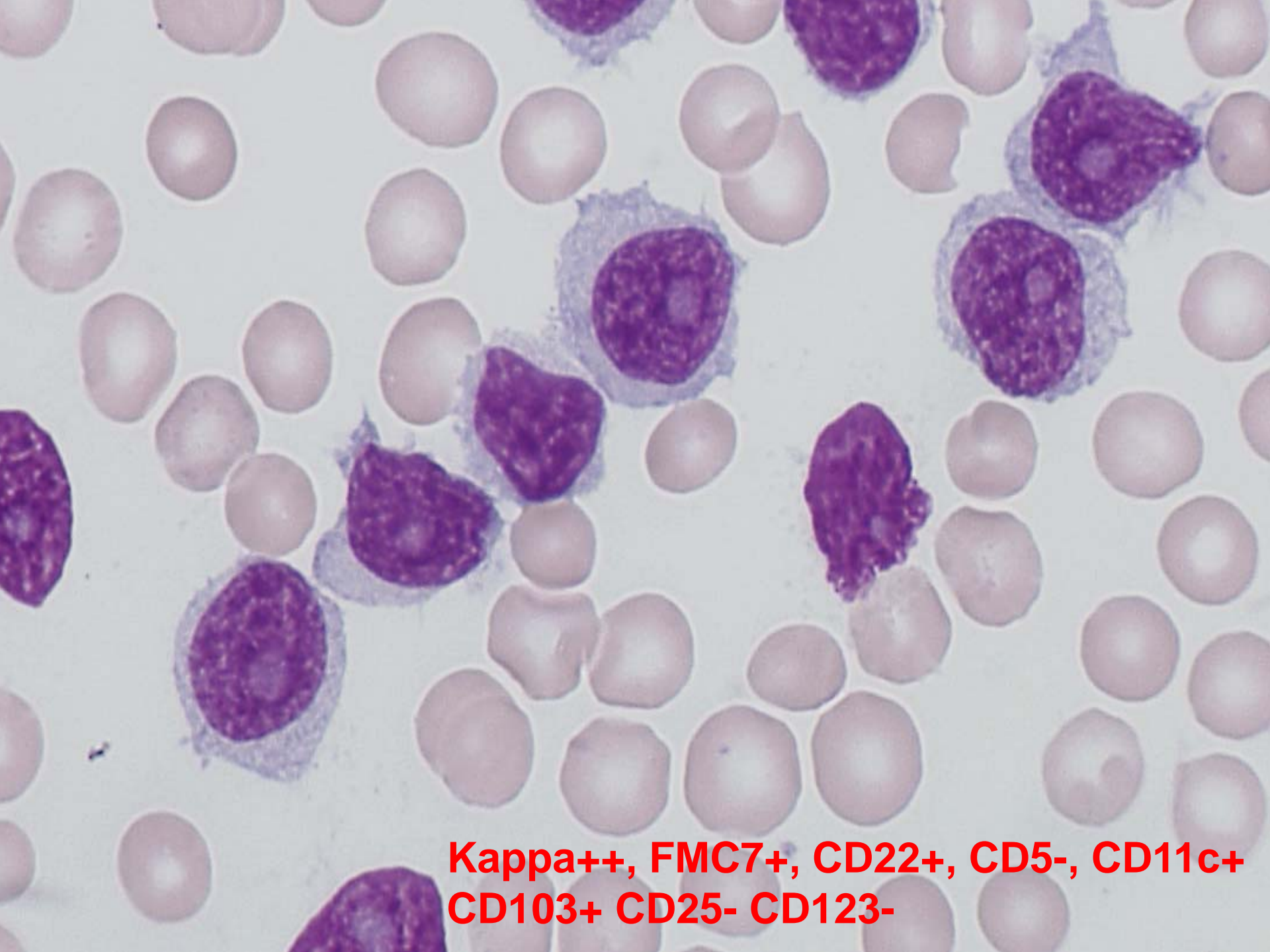
**Immunophenotype :** Clonal B-cells, CD5-, CD23-, CD25-, CD11c+ and negative with CD103 and CD123

**Bone marrow histology:** Intrasinusoidal and interstitial infiltration with a few intertrabecular lymphoid aggregates

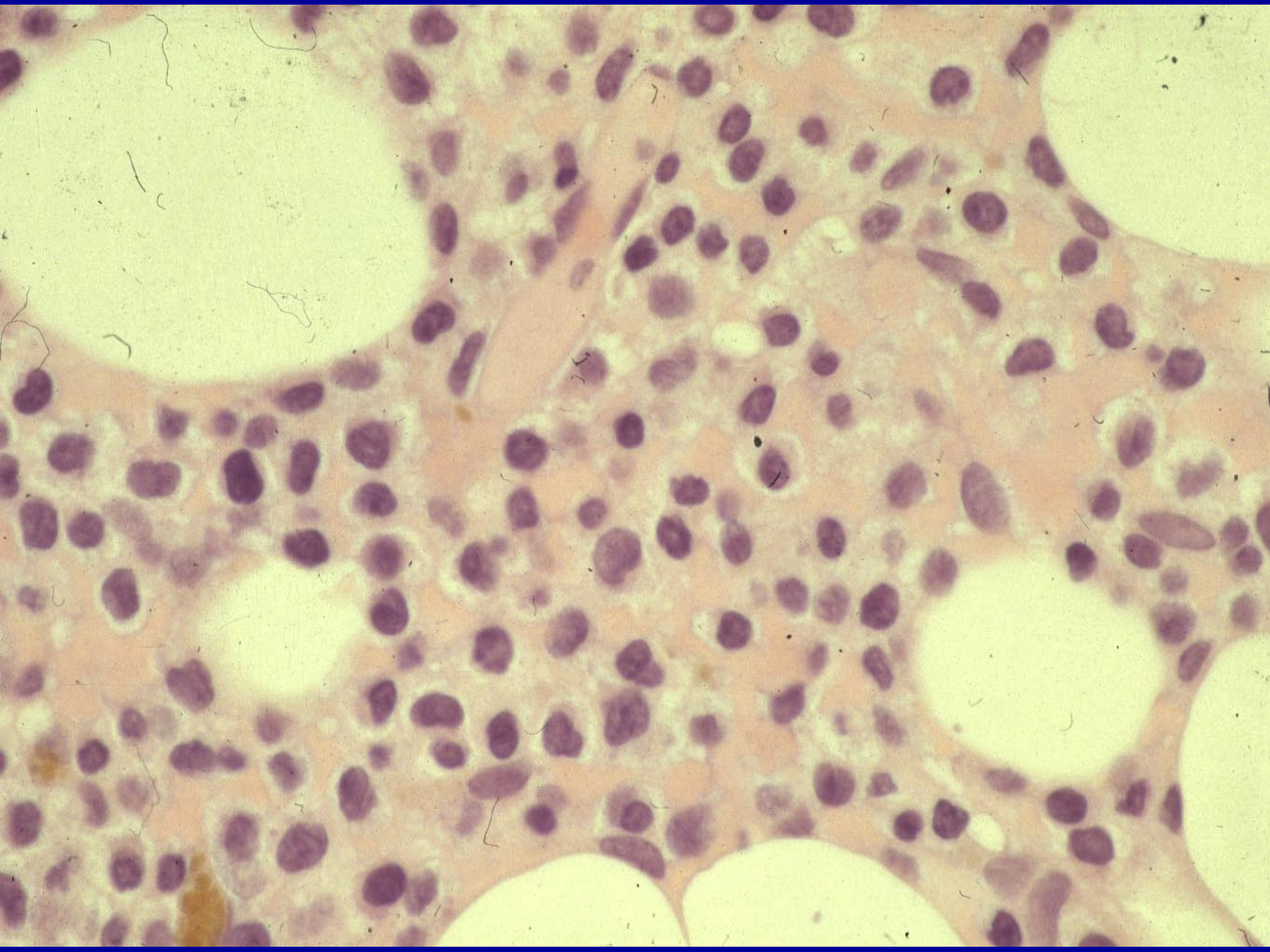
**Cytogenetics/FISH:** t(2;7) (p12;q21-22) and 3q+. No evidence of *TP53* deletion or t(11;14) or t(14;18)

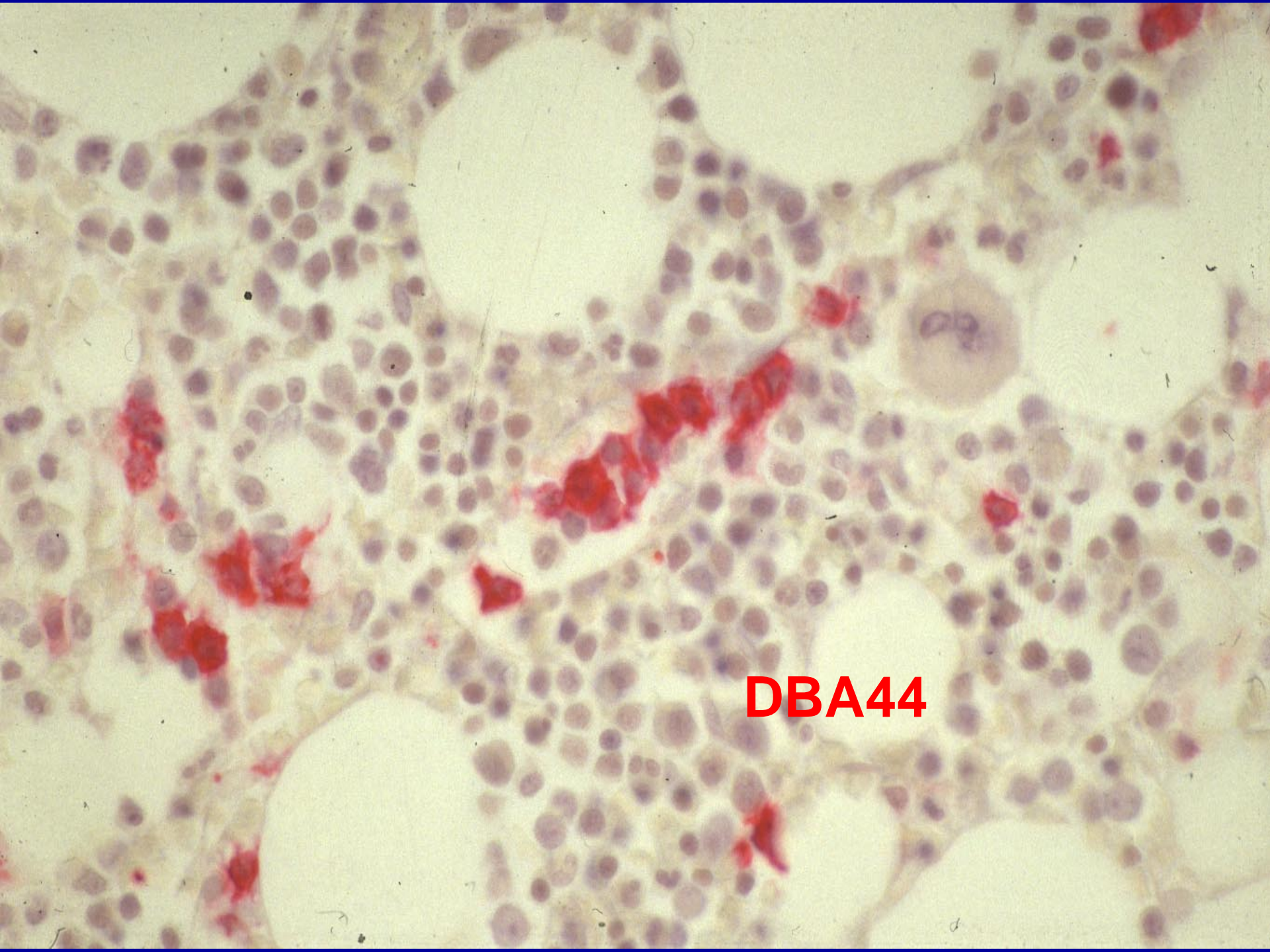
**Diagnosis: SMZL/SLVL**





**Kappa++, FMC7+, CD22+, CD5-, CD11c+  
CD103+ CD25- CD123-**





**DBA44**

## **Integrated report**

**Morphology: medium size lymphocytes with abundant cytoplasm with short villi and prominent vesicular nucleolus**

**Immunophenotype : Clonal B-cells, CD5-, CD23-, CD25-, CD11c+ CD103+ and negative CD123**

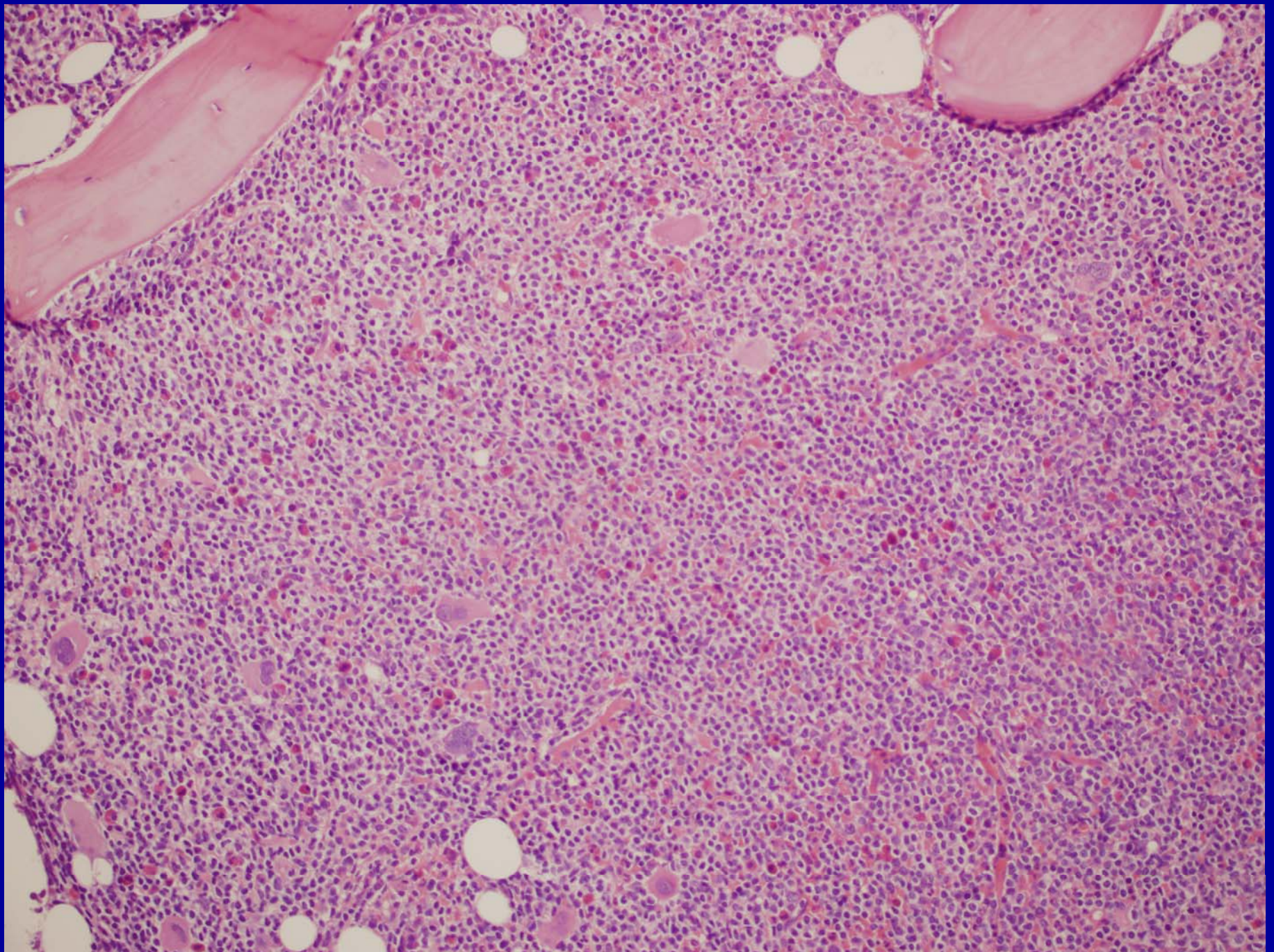
**Bone marrow histology: Intrasinusoidal and interstitial infiltration with spacing**

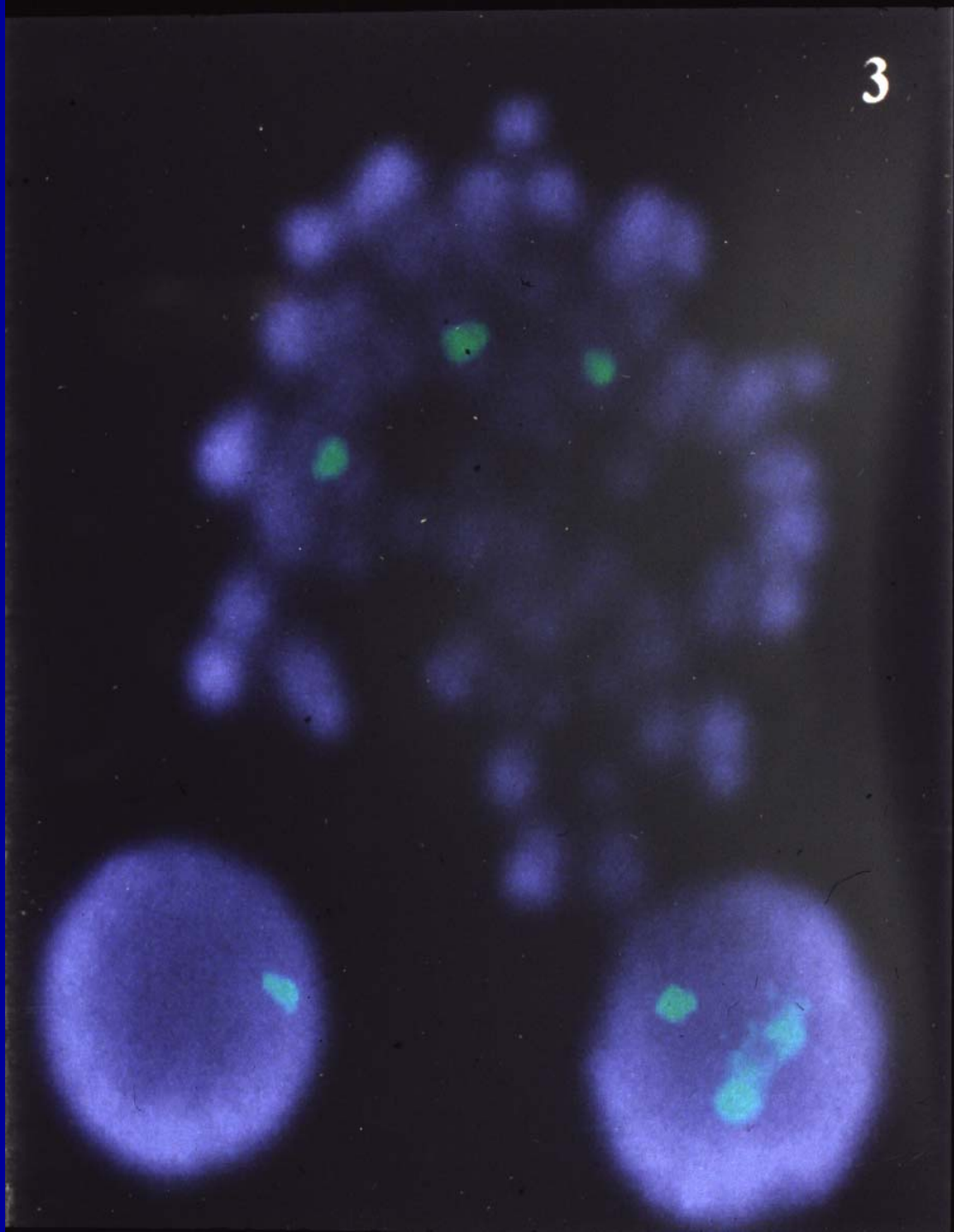
**Cytogenetics/FISH: del 17p (*TP53*)**

**Diagnosis: HCL-variant**



**CD19+, lambda++, CD5-, CD11c+, CD25+, CD103+/-, CD123-**





## **Integrated report**

**Morphology: small lymphocytes with condensed chromatin, basophilic cytoplasm with short thin villi and a few nucleolated**

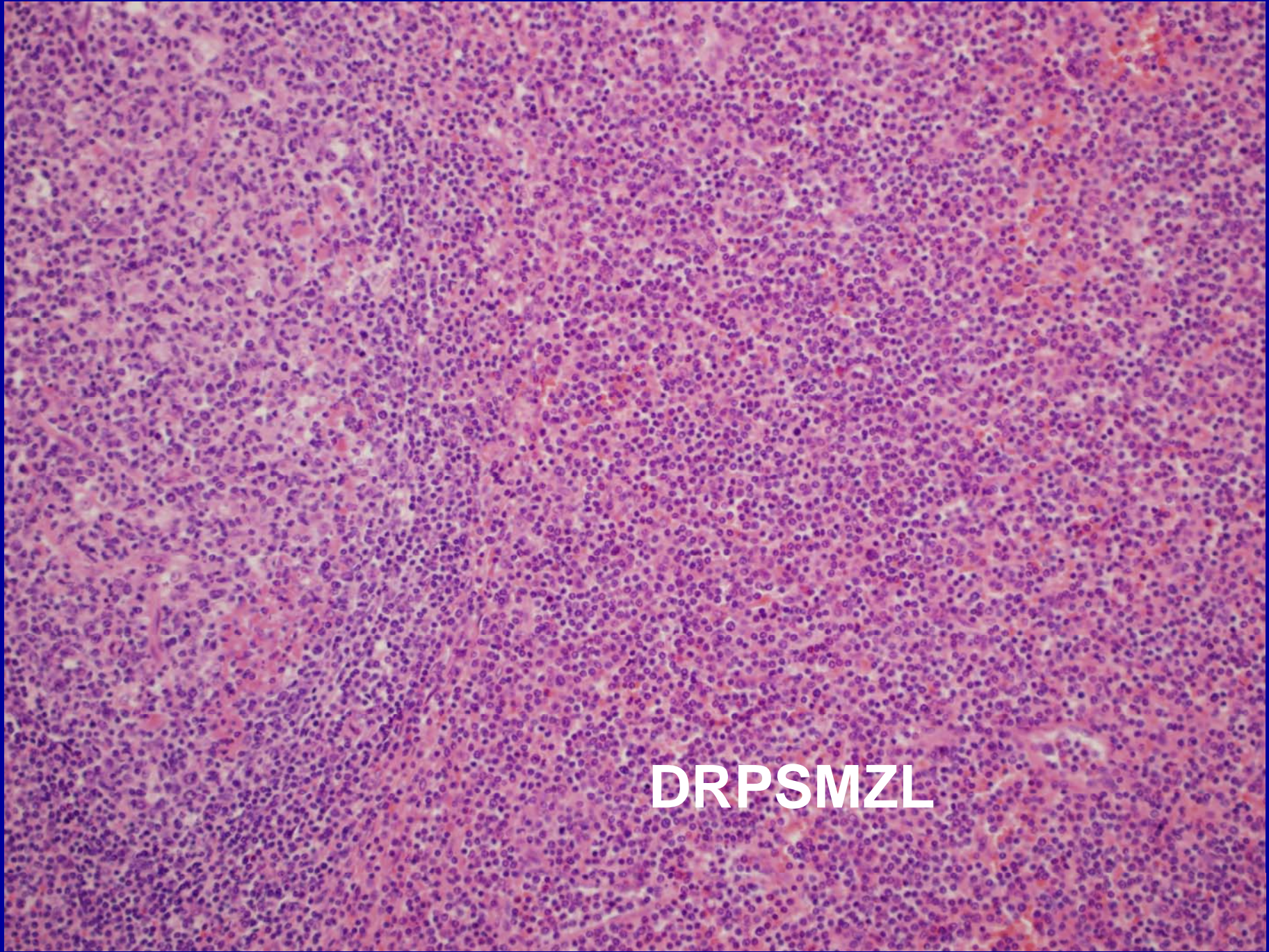
**Immunophenotype : Clonal B-cells, CD5-, CD23-, CD25+, CD11c+ CD103+/- and CD123 negative**

**Bone marrow histology: Diffuse infiltration by lymphoid cells; no spacing**

**Cytogenetics/FISH: Trisomy 3. No evidence of TP53 deletion or t(11;14) or t(14;18)**

**Diagnosis: Likely SMZL but spleen histology will help for a final diagnosis (? Diffuse red pulp SMZL)**





**DRPSMZL**

# CLPD of T and NK cells

## Immunophenotype

Essential to establish the T/NK-cell origin by flow cytometry in leukaemic forms or IHC in nodal/extranodal forms

## Morphology

Important in leukaemic forms

## Histology

Essential in nodal/extranodal/cutaneous forms

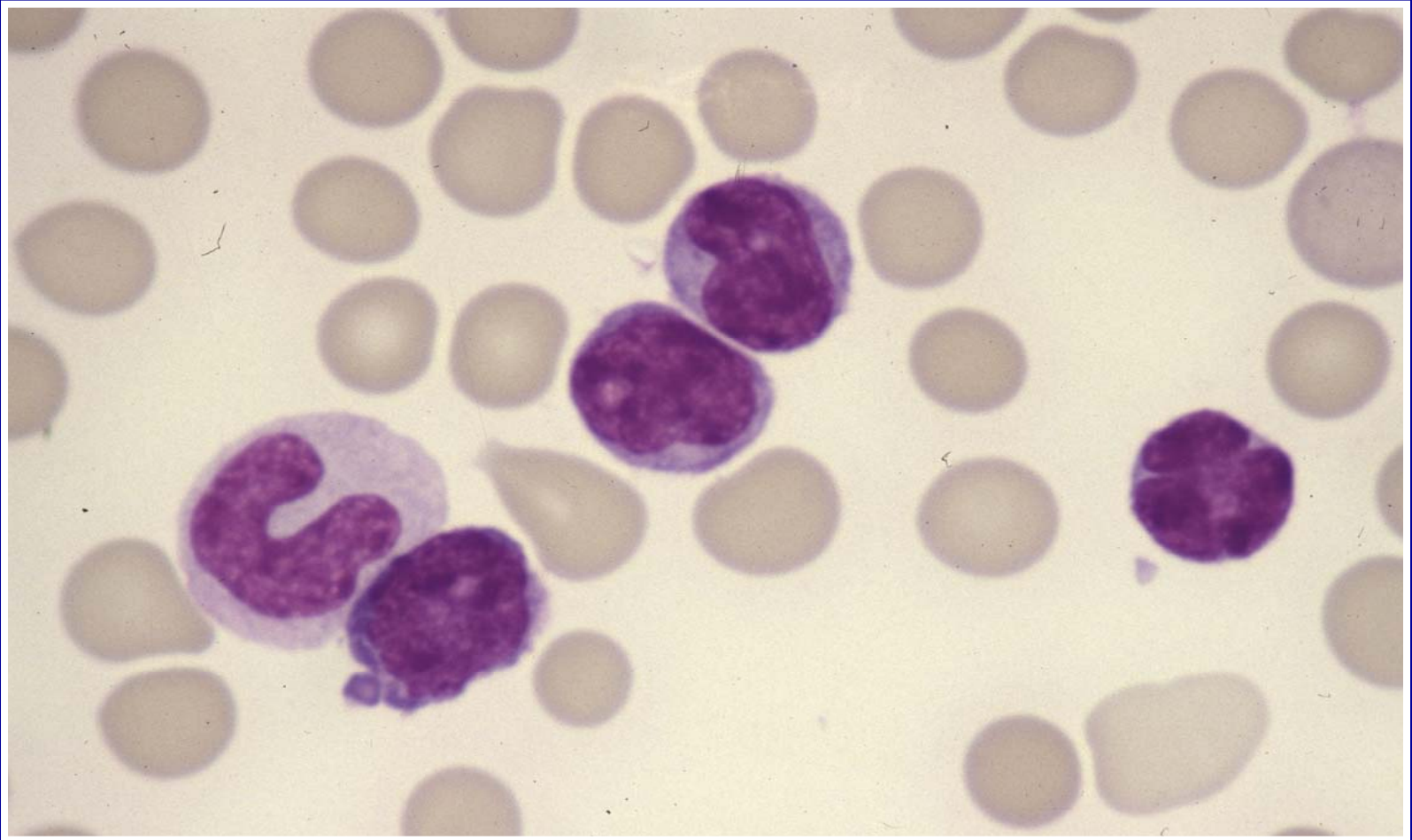
**HTLV-I status (serology, PCR, Southern blot)**

Suspected ATLL and PTCL unspecified

## Molecular genetics

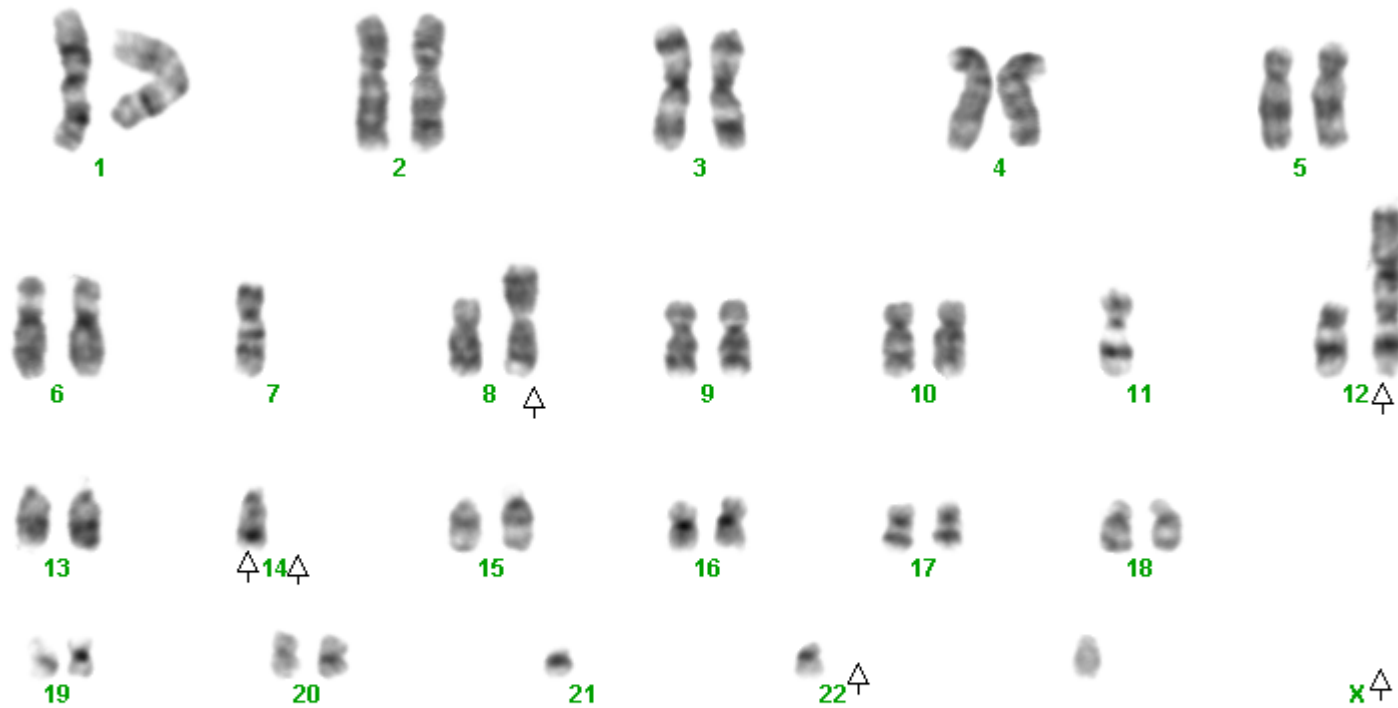
Indolent or chronic “T-cell lymphocytosis”, in difficult or problematic cases and/or rarely for prognosis

**Three examples of patients with T-cell lymphocytosis referred to for diagnostic purposes**



**CD2+ CD3-/+ CD7++ CD4+ CD8+ TdT- CD25+/- CD57-**

# Complex karyotype



43,Y,-X,-7,idic(8)(p11),-11,add(12)(p12-13),-14,inv(14)(q11q32),-21,-22, +3 mar



## **Integrated report**

**Morphology: small lymphocytes with condensed chromatin, occasionally irregular nucleus with small nucleolus**

**Immunophenotype : Mature T-cells with an atypical phenotype CD2+ CD3- CD25+, strong expression of CD7 and co-expression of CD4&CD8**

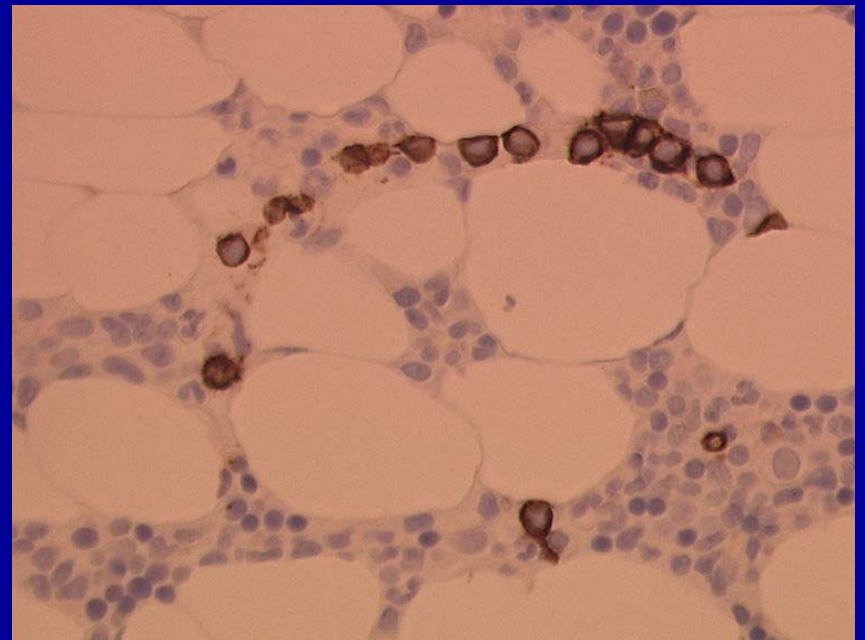
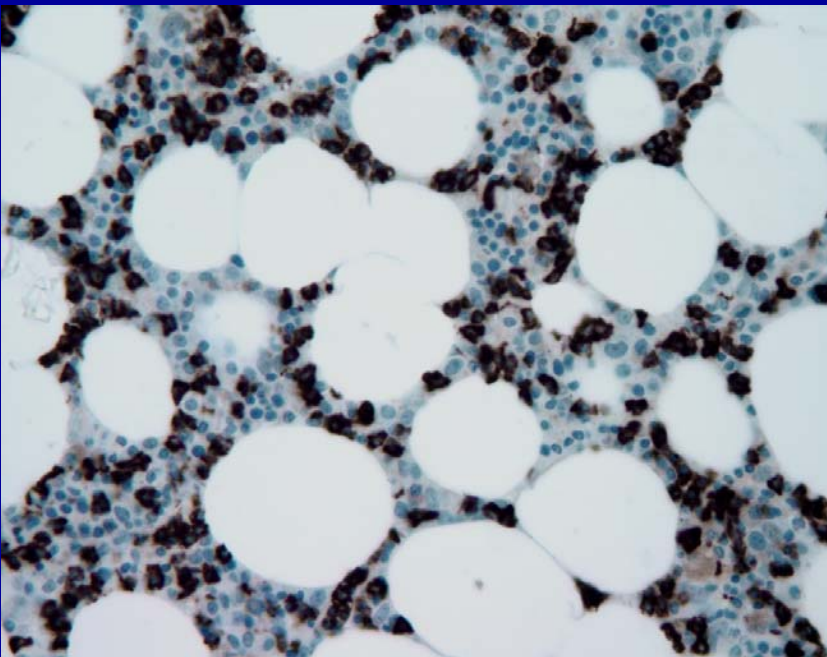
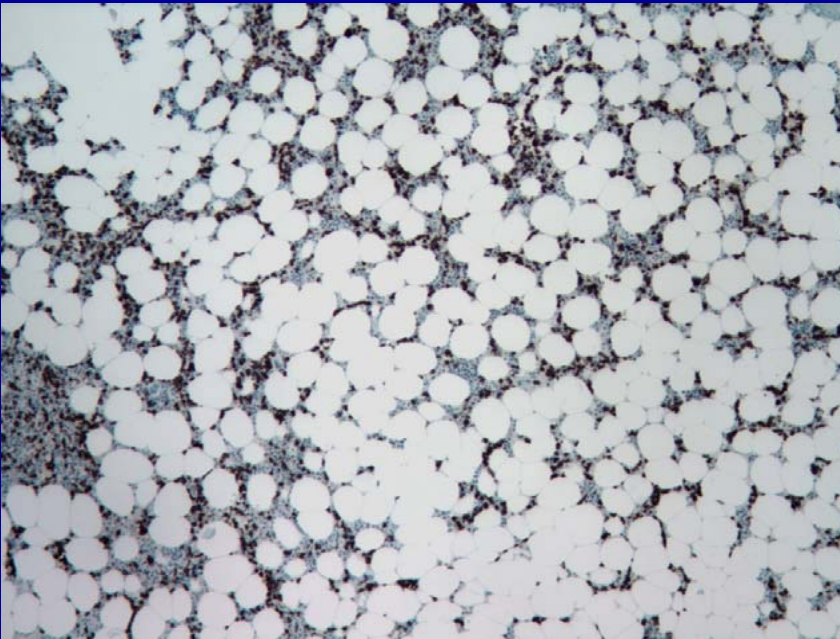
**Cytogenetics: Complex clonal genetics abnormalities including inv(14)(q11;q32) and a idic (8)(p11)**

**Diagnosis: T-cell prolymphocytic leukaemia (small cell variant)**



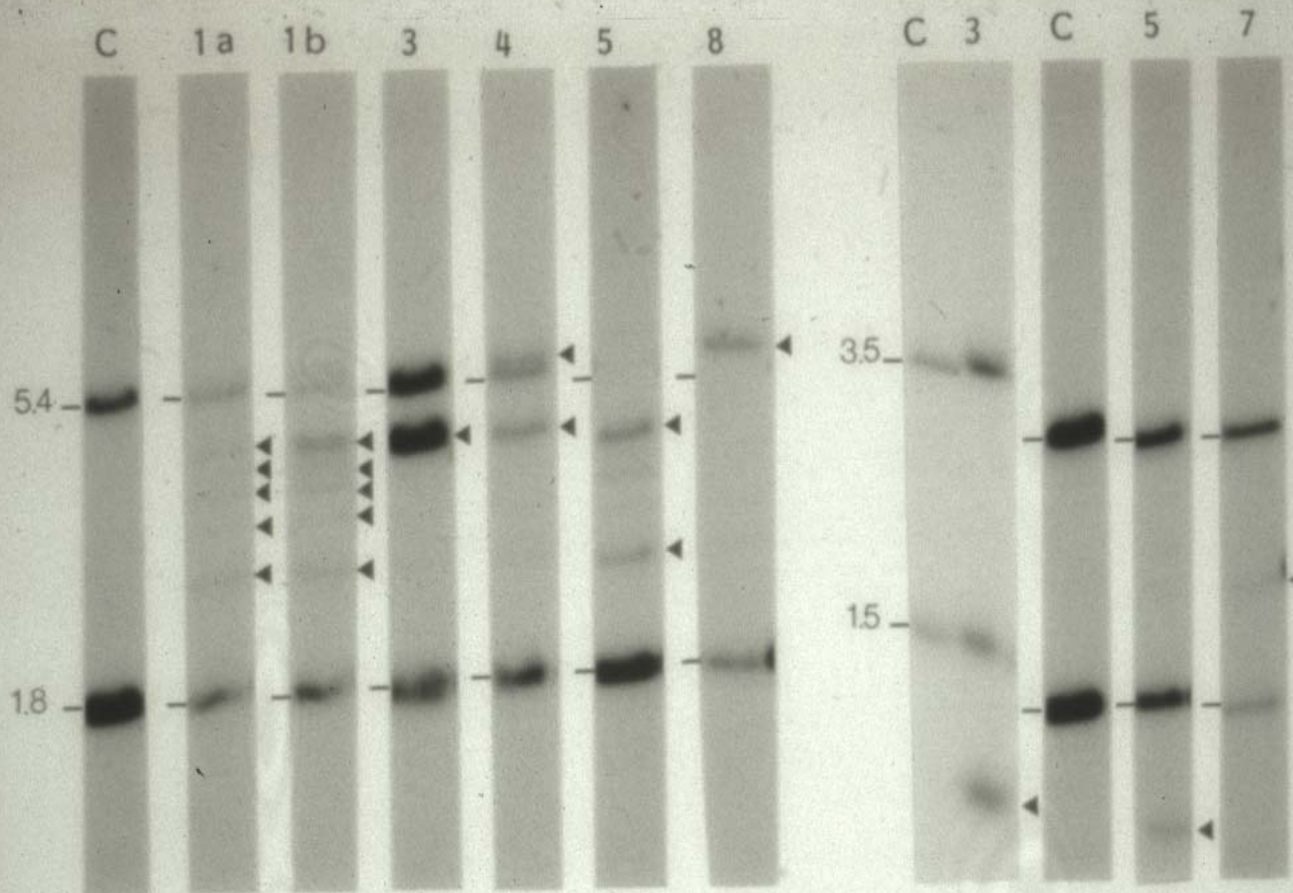
**CD2+ CD3+ CD4- CD8+ CD57+**

# Interstitial & Intrasinusoidal



**CD8**

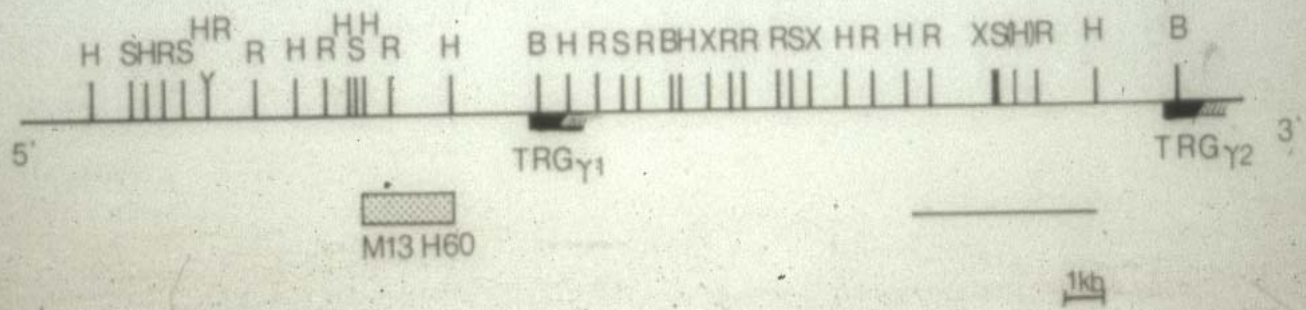




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**Line 3  
Patient**

## **Integrated report**

**Morphology:** lymphocytes with condensed chromatin, abundant cytoplasm with azurophilic granulation

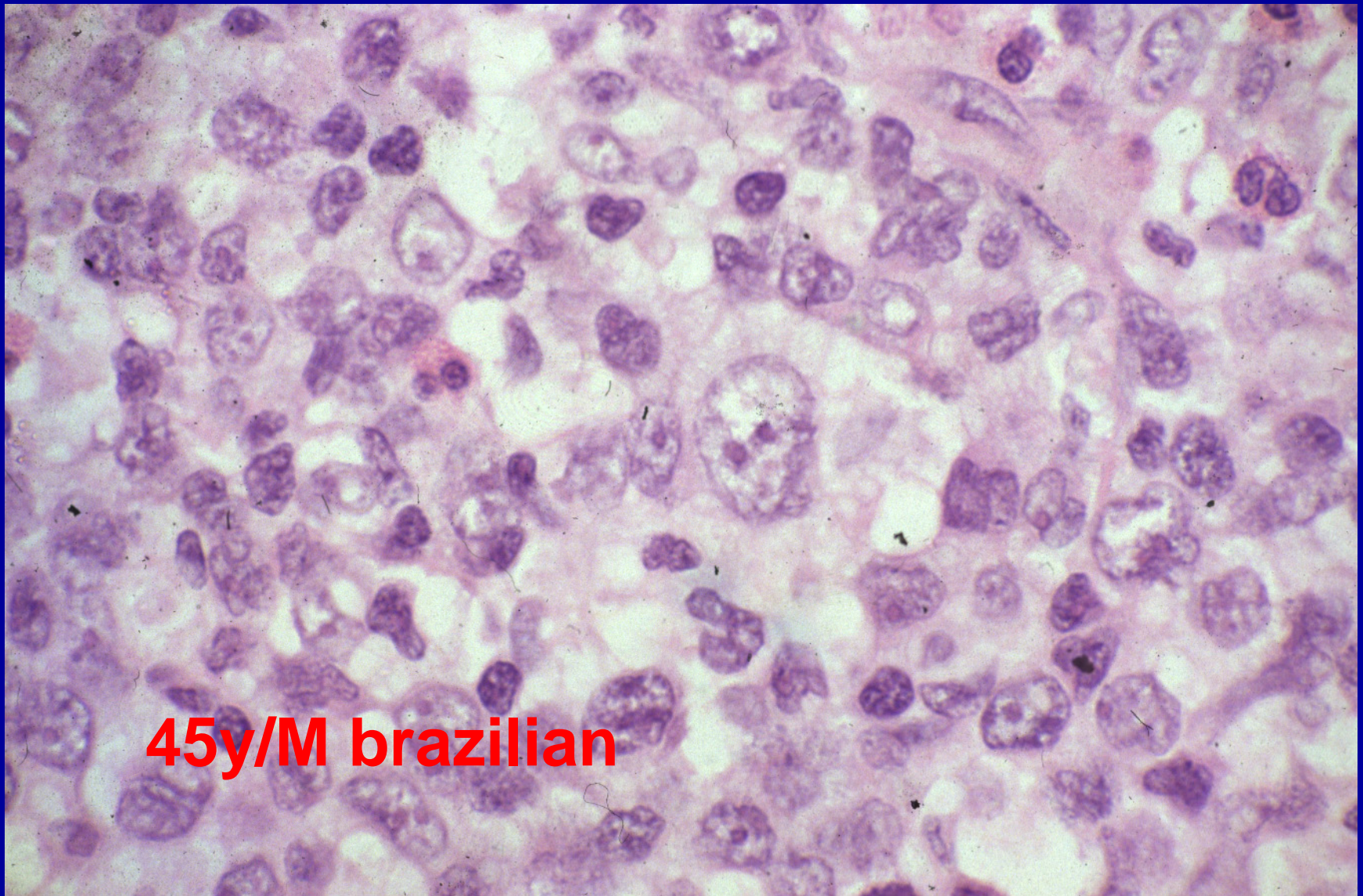
**Immunophenotype :** Mature T-cells with a phenotype CD2+ CD3+ CD7- CD8+ CD57+ characteristically found in LGL cells

**T-cell proliferation ?reactive ?clonal entertained**

**Bone marrow:** Interstitial and intrasinusoidal CD8+ infiltrates with reactive nodules and good haemopoietic reserve

**DNA analysis for the TCR chain genes:** Rearrangement of the TCR gamma chain gene

**Diagnosis:** T-cell large granular lymphocytic leukaemia



**45y/M brazilian**

**Diagnosis in 2005: PTCL NOS in node  
CD3+ CD4+ CD8-**



**3 years later:  
“leukaemic phase”**

**CD3+ CD4+ CD8- CD7- CD25+**

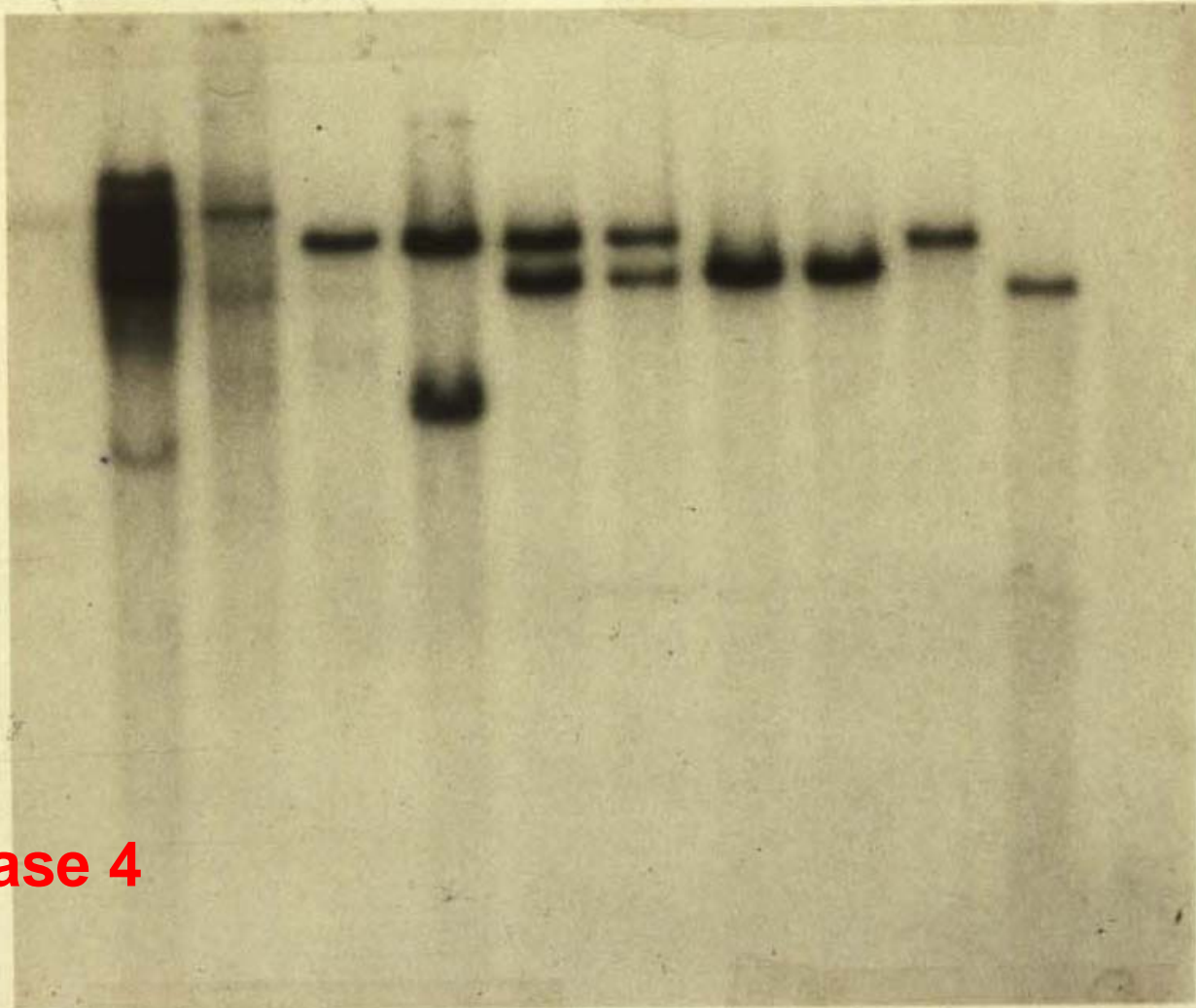
**Which test do you think needs to be carried out before an integrated report is made?**

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**HTLV-1 serology and/or Southern blot/PCR analysis**

Patient number

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◀ 21

◀ 5.4

◀ 3.5

Case 4

Eco-R1

## **Integrated report**

**Morphology: circulating lymphocytes with condensed chromatin and convoluted nucleus (flower cells)**

**Immunophenotype : Mature T-cells with an atypical phenotype  
CD2+ CD3- CD7- CD4+ CD25++**

**Histology review of lymph node: diffuse infiltration by pleomorphic T cells (CD4+ CD8-)**

**Southern blot analysis in the blood and PCR in lymph node with probes/primers specific for HTVL-1: Clonal integration of HTVL-1 in the lymphocyte's DNA**

**Diagnosis: ATLL (HTLV-1+) originally manifesting with a lymphoma subtype that evolved into a leukaemic form**



# Conclusions

The integrated report in CLPD should provide the clinician diagnostic and when applicable prognostic information

It should “integrate” the results from comprehensive investigations

A multidisciplinary team should be involved in the interpretations of the data to issue the report

There may be difficult cases even when all the investigations have been performed. In such situation is advisable to describe findings and possible diagnosis without being categoric